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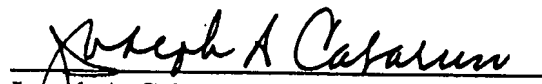
In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION--FILING DATE GRANTED dated 08/10/2001, Applicant(s) submit(s) herewith the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

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- ☒ Executed Declaration
- ☐ Application Filing Fees
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$130.00
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-4723. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,  
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS the specification of which ☐ is attached hereto; or ☒ was filed on June 14, 2001 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application No. 09/881,341 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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| Country | Application No.    | Filed (Day / Mo. / Yr.) | ( Yes / No )<br>Priority Claimed |
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| Japan   | 182080/2000 (Pat.) | 16/June/2000            | Yes                              |

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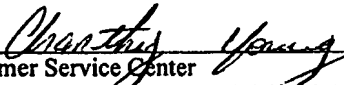
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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